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METHOD FOR ISOLATING HYDROGEN SULPHIDE FROM COKE OVEN GAS WITH THE SUBSEQUENT RECOVERY OF ELEMENTAL

SULPHUR IN A CLAUS PLANT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

MAIL STOP RCE Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 24, 2010 and in advance of the continued examination of this application, with the period for response having been extended for three (3) months from November 24, 2010 to February 24, 2011 by petition and payment of the extension fee, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.